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Get to know more about Paula Boixader
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STATESBORO, Ga. - Over the next week and a half we meet each of Eagles on the women's tennis team and learn a little bit more about each of the ladies. Next up is sophomore [Paula Boixader](#) from Barcelona, Spain. Boixader completed her freshman season with the Armstrong State Pirates, under now current head coach [Sean McCaffrey](#). In her freshman campaign, Boixader compiled a 16-8 record in singles play and a 19-8 record in doubles play. She was awarded First-Team All-Peach Belt Conference singles honors and defeated the No. 29 ranked Kirsia Utech of Columbus State.

What do you enjoy most about playing tennis?

The competition. The fact that there is always someone that wants to beat you. You have to fight every single day alone on the court, giving everything you have to show that you are better than the one on the other side of the net.

What age did you start playing tennis?

I touched a racquet for the first time in my life when I was 7 years old, but in this time I didn't play frequently. I would say I started playing and competing when I was 10 years old.

When/why did you decide tennis was going to be your sport you concentrated on?

Since I was young I love playing sports of any kind. I did skating, swimming, skiing, and I also played Tennis. When I got older my parents told me I should start focusing on just one (or maybe two) sports. I decided to keep playing Tennis and ski. After competing in both sports I realized that my passion for Tennis was way bigger than for skiing. At the age of 12 I decided to just focus on Tennis and that was the best decision of my life so far!

What are you most looking forward to about the upcoming season?

I had a bad injury last season and I am still recovering. I am positive that I will be ready to play my first season for the Eagles. All girls welcomed me and I know with this team we can do amazing things!

Who has had the greatest influence on your game?

The year before I decided to come to the US to play College Tennis I practiced three to five hours every single day. I wanted to be the best version of myself when arriving. Last year, my freshman year, I played for Armstrong State University. The fact of entering such a strong team (in total the Women's Tennis Team won 10 National Championships) where the girls were at least 2 years older than me, and having a coach that pushed me daily to my limit made me a lot stronger mentally but also physically. The greatest influence on my game came from my coach, McCaffrey and my captain from last year, Lena Lutzeier.

If you could meet anyone, past or present, who would it be?

I would love to meet Rafa Nadal and Ana Ivanovic. I don't like the way Nadal plays, but I love his attitude on the court, how he is fighting on the court for every single point. That is simply amazing! I have been watching Ivanovic since I was young as a referent.

What do most people not know about you?

I actually consider myself as very transparent, but if I have to find something then I would say that I'm a very shy person in the beginning. I also need time for myself, to just listen to music or watch a movie. "Me-Time" is important in my life.

Quick Hitters:

Favorite Athlete: Gerard Piqué

Biggest Thrill in Sports: The never ending competition

Goals upon Graduation: First of all I want to try to be a professional. If that doesn't work I want to work in a multinational company either in the US or in Barcelona.

Hobbies: Traveling and listening to music.

Other sports you played growing up: Skiing, skating, swimming.

Relatives involved in athletics: My father and mother both run mountain marathons, brother plays tennis and grandfather played as goalkeeper for C.E. Europa in Barcelona.

Favorite tennis player(s) to watch: Roger Federer and Jelena Ostapenko

Favorite non-tennis athletes: Gerard Piqué, Leo Messi, Xavi Hernandez and Marc Coma

Hidden/special talents: Definitely not singing haha, I would say good listener and responsible.

Favorite Food: Pasta

Favorite dessert: Crema Catalana

Favorite type of music: Pop and Reggaeton

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